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## INCIDENCE OF ILLNESS AMONG MALE INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYEES IN 1933 AS COMPARED WITH EARLIER YEARS

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The frequency of cases of sickness causing absence from work for more than 1 week among a group of 152,203 male industrial employees was lower in 1933 than in any other year since 1921, when the record was started. Compared with 1932, the decrease in sickness incidence was substantial. This result is somewhat surprising, since the 1932 rates were below the average for the 5 preceding years.

The group under consideration is composed of male employees of 38 industrial firms, most of which are located in the North Central, North Atlantic, and New England States; but a number of employees of these companies are scattered in almost all parts of the country. The records on which the present report is based are those of sick-benefit organizations maintained either by the company or by its employees, or cooperatively by both.

It is possible, of course, that the sickness rates might be higher if unemployed persons were included, but this consideration does not invalidate the year-to-year comparisons of sickness frequency among men working on a full-time or part-time basis. To some extent the decrease may be due to selection; i.e., workmen on the pay rolls now may be somewhat healthier as a group than those employed in 1928 and 1929, when the demand for labor was greater. Selection, however, does not appear to be the all-important factor in the decreasing incidence of illness in our sample of the industrial population on account of the fact that the rates for certain important diseases which will be mentioned later were as high in 1932 and 1933 as in 1928 and 1929.

The first month of 1933 was characterized by an outbreak of influenza, but the epidemic was so short-lived that the rate for the year as a whole was below the average frequency of this disease during the 10 preceding years. The influenza mortality rate in 1933 was

also less than the average for the 10 preceding years.<sup>1</sup> Because influenza is of such numerical importance, the incidence rate of respiratory diseases, as a whole, fell well below the average, both for the 5 and for the 10 years preceding 1933. As an index of health conditions aside from influenza, the rate for all illnesses except influenza is shown in table 1. In 1933 this rate was the lowest of any year of record.

TABLE 1.—Frequency of specified causes of disability lasting 8 consecutive calendar days or longer per 1,000 male industrial workers representing various industries, by years, from 1928 to 1933, inclusive<sup>1</sup>

Year in which disability began	Sickness and non-industrial injuries <sup>2</sup>		Sickness		Respiratory diseases <sup>3</sup>		Sickness exclusive of influenza		Non-respiratory diseases		Average number of men, all reporting establishments
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	
1928.....	113.4	111.2	102.5	100.2	50.6	48.8	73.4	72.8	51.9	51.4	163,557
1929.....	112.4	110.6	99.9	98.1	47.8	46.8	73.9	71.9	52.1	51.3	194,451
1930.....	94.1	93.8	81.8	81.6	32.0	32.3	68.5	68.2	49.8	49.3	188,714
1931.....	94.6	93.2	82.2	81.1	34.9	34.8	63.3	62.1	47.3	46.3	171,694
1932.....	97.5	94.7	84.9	82.3	37.6	37.0	62.9	60.4	47.3	45.3	163,979
1933.....	82.3	76.8	71.0	66.2	28.6	25.6	55.7	53.0	42.4	40.6	132,203
5 preceding years <sup>4</sup> .....	102.4	100.7	90.3	88.7	40.6	40.0	68.4	67.1	49.7	48.7	176,480

<sup>1</sup> For the record 1921 to 1927, inclusive, see Public Health Reports, vol. 47, no. 15, Apr. 29, 1932, pp. 997-1001.

<sup>2</sup> Industrial accidents and venereal diseases are not reported.

<sup>3</sup> Title nos. 11, 23, 104-115a, in the International List of Causes of Death, fourth revision, Paris, 1929.

<sup>4</sup> 1928 to 1932, inclusive.

A—all reporting establishments; B—establishments which reported throughout the 6 years ending Dec. 31, 1933.

The rates for bronchitis and for diseases of the pharynx and tonsils in 1933 fell to about 63 percent of the average for the 5 preceding years. So precipitous is this decline in incidence that one might well view the figures with skepticism were it not for the fact that the more serious respiratory diseases such as pneumonia and tuberculosis show decreases that are proportionately almost as large. One searches in vain for a pneumonia case rate that was lower than the one recorded for 1933. Mortality from pneumonia also appears to have reached a new minimum. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. states that a year (1933) which began with an influenza epidemic closed with the lowest pneumonia death rate in the history of insured wage earners.<sup>2</sup>

The frequency of new cases of respiratory tuberculosis in the industrial group under consideration was about 30 percent below the average for the 10 years preceding 1933. This result is not as spectacular as the reduction in tuberculosis mortality, amounting to 20 percent since 1930 in the industrial population of the country.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Cf. Statistical Bulletin, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., vol. XV, no. 1, January 1934, p. 8.

<sup>2</sup> Idem.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid., p. 4.

TABLE 2.—Frequency of specified respiratory diseases which caused disability for 8 consecutive calendar days or longer per 1,000 industrial workers representing various industries, by years, from 1928 to 1933, inclusive <sup>1</sup>

Year in which disability began	Influenza and grippé (11)		Bronchitis, acute and chronic (106)		Diseases of the pharynx and tonsils (115a)		Pneumonia, all forms (107-109)		Tuberculosis of the respiratory system (23)		Other diseases of the respiratory system (104-105, 110-114)	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
1928.....	29.1	27.4	5.7	5.7	5.9	5.7	3.4	3.4	1.1	1.2	5.4	5.4
1929.....	26.0	26.2	5.3	5.2	7.2	6.3	3.1	3.2	1.2	1.1	5.0	4.8
1930.....	13.3	13.4	4.6	4.8	6.0	5.8	2.5	2.7	1.1	1.1	4.5	4.5
1931.....	18.9	19.0	3.6	3.6	5.2	5.0	2.1	2.2	1.0	1.0	4.1	4.0
1932.....	22.0	21.9	3.6	3.5	4.5	4.4	2.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	4.5	4.2
1933.....	15.3	13.2	2.9	2.8	3.9	3.4	1.8	1.7	.8	.8	3.9	3.7
5 preceding years.....	21.9	21.6	4.6	4.6	5.7	5.4	2.6	2.7	1.1	1.1	4.7	4.6

<sup>1</sup> For the record 1921 to 1927, inclusive, see Public Health Reports, vol. 47, no. 18, Apr. 29, 1932, pp. 997-1001.

A=all reporting establishments; B=establishments which reported throughout the 6 years ending Dec. 31, 1933.

Numbers shown in parentheses are disease title numbers from the International List of Causes of Death, fourth revision, Paris, 1929.

In 1933 the rate for digestive diseases as a whole was approximately 18 percent below the average for the 5 preceding years. The important disease categories within this group, such as diseases of the stomach, diarrhea and enteritis, appendicitis, and hernia, show decreases of similar magnitude from the 5-year average.

TABLE 3.—Frequency of specified diseases of the digestive system which caused disability for 8 consecutive calendar days or longer per 1,000 male industrial workers representing various industries, by years, from 1928 to 1933, inclusive <sup>1</sup>

Year in which disability began	Digestive diseases, total (115b-129)		Diseases of the stomach, except cancer (117-118)		Diarrhea and enteritis (120)		Appendicitis (121)		Hernia (122a)		Other digestive diseases (115b, 118, 122b-129)	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
1928.....	14.6	14.5	4.7	4.8	1.3	1.2	4.2	4.2	1.8	1.7	2.6	2.6
1929.....	15.6	15.6	4.7	4.7	1.5	1.4	4.5	4.5	1.8	1.9	3.1	3.1
1930.....	14.8	14.5	4.7	4.7	1.5	1.5	4.0	3.7	1.7	1.8	2.9	2.8
1931.....	13.4	12.9	4.0	3.6	1.2	1.2	3.7	3.5	1.8	1.9	2.7	2.7
1932.....	13.3	12.6	4.0	3.7	1.0	1.0	3.4	3.3	1.9	1.9	3.0	2.7
1933.....	12.1	11.1	3.3	3.3	1.0	1.0	3.3	3.0	1.3	1.3	3.2	2.5
5 preceding years.....	14.3	14.0	4.4	4.3	1.3	1.3	4.0	3.8	1.8	1.8	2.8	2.8

<sup>1</sup> For the record 1921 to 1927, inclusive, see Public Health Reports, vol. 47, no. 18, Apr. 29, 1932, pp. 997-1001.

A=all reporting establishments; B=establishments which reported throughout the 6 years ending Dec. 31, 1933.

Numbers in parentheses are disease title numbers from the International List of Causes of Death, fourth revision, Paris, 1929.

For nonrespiratory, nondigestive diseases as a whole, a decrease in frequency amounting to about 15 percent below the average for the 5 preceding years is indicated. Within this broad disease category however, not all subgroups participated in the decreased incidence of illness. The rate for diseases of the circulatory system in 1933 was practically the same as during the period 1928-32. A further subgroup, diseases of the heart, shows a lower rate than in 1932, but virtually the same incidence as the average for the 5 years preceding 1933, and a greater frequency than in any year of record prior to 1927. No change occurred in the frequency of diseases of the genito-urinary system except nephritis for which the rate was somewhat lower than during immediately preceding years. No improvement is indicated in the cancer situation. The frequency of neurasthenia and kindred conditions decreased in 1933 as compared with 1932 and earlier years, but the rate for other diseases of the nervous system, which include such serious ailments as mental disease and cerebral hemorrhage, was slightly higher during the past year. On the favorable side may be mentioned decreases in the incidence of rheumatism (acute and chronic), diseases of the organs of locomotion, diseases of the veins, diseases of the skin, and the infectious and parasitic group of diseases.

Mortality records, insofar as they can be used for the purpose, indicate that the vitality of the American people has to date remained unimpaired in spite of the hardships which severe economic depression entails. The sickness records presented herewith indicate greater freedom from attacks of disease among men on the pay rolls of 38 large companies during the past 3 or 4 years than in the years immediately preceding the depression.

TABLE 4.—*Frequency of specified nonrespiratory, nondigestive diseases which caused disability for 8 consecutive calendar days or longer per 1,000 male industrial workers representing various industries, by years, from 1928 to 1933, inclusive*<sup>1</sup>

Year in which disability began	Nonrespiratory, nondigestive diseases, total		Diseases of the circulatory system, except diseases of the veins (90-99, 101-103)		Diseases of the veins (100)		Diseases of the heart (90-99)		Nephritis, acute and chronic (130-132)	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
1928.....	37.3	36.9	3.4	3.5	1.7	1.7	2.1	2.1	0.8	0.8
1929.....	36.5	35.7	3.4	3.5	1.7	1.7	2.2	2.3	.8	.8
1930.....	35.0	34.8	3.4	3.4	1.6	1.6	2.1	2.1	.7	.8
1931.....	33.9	33.4	3.2	3.2	1.8	1.5	2.0	2.1	.7	.7
1932.....	34.0	32.7	3.7	3.6	1.8	1.7	2.5	2.4	.8	.8
1933.....	30.3	29.5	3.4	3.2	1.4	1.4	2.1	2.1	.5	.6
5 preceding years.....	35.4	34.7	3.4	3.4	1.7	1.6	2.2	2.2	.8	.7

<sup>1</sup> For the record 1921-1927, inclusive, see Public Health Reports, vol. 47, no. 18, Apr. 29, 1932, pp. 997-1001.

A—all reporting establishments; B—establishments which reported throughout the 6 years ending Dec. 31, 1933.

Numbers shown in parentheses are disease title numbers from the International List of Causes of Death, fourth revision, Paris, 1929.

**TABLE 4.—Frequency of specified nonrespiratory, nondigestive diseases which caused disability for 8 consecutive calendar days or longer per 1,000 male industrial workers representing various industries, by years, from 1928 to 1933, inclusive—Continued**

Year in which disability began	Other diseases of the genito-urinary system and annexa (133-138)		Neuralgia, neuritis, sciatica (87a)		Neurasthenia and the like (87b)		Other diseases of the nervous system (78-85)		Diseases of the organs of vision (88)	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
1928.....	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	1.4	1.4	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1
1929.....	2.2	2.1	2.5	2.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0
1930.....	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.2	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1
1931.....	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.1	1.5	1.4	1.1	1.3	1.0	1.0
1932.....	2.3	2.1	2.3	2.3	1.3	1.1	1.2	1.2	.9	.8
1933.....	2.2	2.1	2.1	1.9	.8	.8	1.4	1.3	.8	.8
5 preceding years.....	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.3	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0

  

Year in which disability began	Diseases of the ears and of the mastoid process (89)		Rheumatism, acute and chronic (56, 57)		Diseases of the organs of locomotion except diseases of the joints (156b)		Diseases of the skin (151-153)		Infectious and parasitic diseases <sup>1</sup> (1-10, 12-22, 24-33, 36-44)	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
1928.....	0.7	0.7	6.4	6.3	4.0	3.9	4.4	4.4	4.0	3.9
1929.....	.7	.6	5.6	5.6	3.9	3.9	4.2	4.2	3.9	3.5
1930.....	.5	.5	5.6	5.6	3.5	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.5
1931.....	.7	.6	5.4	5.4	3.3	3.5	3.2	3.3	3.3	2.9
1932.....	.7	.7	5.3	5.5	3.3	3.6	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.1
1933.....	.6	.6	4.9	4.9	2.8	3.0	2.7	2.6	2.0	1.8
5 preceding years.....	.7	.6	5.7	5.7	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.2

  

Year in which disability began	Cancer, all forms (45-53)		Other general diseases <sup>2</sup> (54, 55, 59-77)		Diseases of the bones and joints (154-156a)		Ill-defined and unknown causes of disability (200)		Nonindustrial injuries (163-198)	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
1928.....	0.4	0.3	1.2	1.1	0.7	0.7	1.7	1.7	10.9	11.0
1929.....	.4	.4	1.2	1.2	.8	.7	1.8	1.8	12.5	12.5
1930.....	.5	.5	1.2	1.2	.7	.8	1.7	1.7	12.3	12.2
1931.....	.6	.6	1.2	1.2	.6	.6	1.9	1.9	12.4	12.1
1932.....	.6	.6	1.7	1.7	.4	.5	2.3	1.7	12.6	12.4
1933.....	.5	.5	1.7	1.6	.5	.6	2.0	1.8	11.3	10.6
5 preceding years.....	.5	.5	1.3	1.3	.6	.7	1.9	1.7	12.1	12.0

<sup>1</sup> Except influenza, respiratory tuberculosis, and the venereal diseases.

<sup>2</sup> Includes nutritional diseases, diseases of the endocrine glands, diseases of the blood and blood-making organs, chronic poisonings and intoxications.



## THE PRODUCTION OF DIBENZANTHRACENE TUMORS IN PURE STRAIN MICE

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Burrows, Hieger, and Kennaway (1) have shown that the compound 1:2:5:6-dibenzanthracene, when injected subcutaneously in lard solution, is capable of producing sarcomas in mice. In their experiments the compound induced tumors in 31 out of 93 mice. Seven primary growths were used for serial transmission experiments, of which two were carried at least as far as the twelfth and sixteenth generation.

Because of the inconsistent results obtained in their transmission experiments and the fact that no mention was made of any particular strain of mice, it is assumed that Burrows, Hieger, and Kennaway did not use pure strain animals. Therefore, it was considered of interest to ascertain the results attending the injection of 1:2:5:6-dibenzanthracene into pure strain mice. The purpose of such an experiment would be twofold: First, to determine whether the compound is capable of inducing tumors in pure strain animals which exhibit a low incidence of spontaneous tumors, as well as in other strains showing a high incidence of spontaneous tumors; second, to determine whether these induced tumors in pure stocks would follow the rule of the genetic theory of transplantation, namely, that a spontaneous tumor arising within an individual of a strain can be transplanted to members of the same strain, but not to members of another strain. This report deals briefly with the results of a single experiment conducted along these lines.

### EXPERIMENTAL ANIMALS

All pure strain mice were obtained from the Roscoe B. Jackson Memorial Laboratory, Bar Harbor, Maine. The mice used in the experiment are described below.

*Strain A.*—Inbred since 1918. Albino mice with a high incidence of spontaneous tumors in breeding females.

*Strain M "Leaden."*—Inbred since 1921. Color the same as strain D to be described below. These mice show a low incidence of spontaneous tumors.

*Strain C<sub>3</sub>H.*—Inbred since 1921. Color of wild house mice. The breeding females have a high incidence of mammary carcinomas.

*Strain CBA.*—Inbred since 1921. Color of wild house mice. No tumor has been observed in the mice of this strain for the past 10 generations.

*Strain D.*—Inbred since 1909. Dilute brown color. Breeding females exhibit an extraordinarily high incidence of spontaneous tumors.

*Stock mice.*—Mice purchased from a local dealer. Albino mice were used to compare the reaction of "market mice" to pure strain mice when subjected to injections of dibenzanthracene-lard solution.

Only adult mice weighing at least 20 g were used. All female mice were virgins.

#### TECHNIQUE

A solution of 1:2:5:6-dibenzanthracene in lard was prepared as follows: The lard was filtered at 38° C., and dibenzanthracene was then added in the proportion of 4 mg to each cubic centimeter of lard. The lard was heated to 140° C., at which temperature the compound was completely dissolved. The control lard was also heated to 140° C. Both the dibenzanthracene-lard solution and the control lard were cooled to room temperature and then kept at +4° C. until used. Before using, both were heated to 40° C.

The injections were made by means of an 18-gage needle and a 1-cc syringe. All injections were made subcutaneously in the right axillary region.

#### EXPERIMENTAL OBSERVATIONS

The experimental animals consisted of 558 mice, distributed among the various strains as follows:

Strain	Number of experimental animals	Number of controls
Strain A.....	125	63
Strain M.....	102	50
Strain C <sub>3</sub> H.....	19	10
Strain CBA.....	58	31
Strain D.....	23	13
Stock.....	41	23

The time of injections and amounts given were as follows:

	Cubic centimeter
Aug. 3, 1933.....	0.25
Aug. 18, 1933.....	0.25
Nov. 1, 1933.....	0.50

The first two injections produced subcutaneous lumps which persisted without showing any evidence of being absorbed. Therefore, on October 24, 1933, these masses were broken by pressure. What bearing this procedure had on the final outcome of the experiment is unknown.

The first tumor was noted on November 16, 1933, only 15 days after the last injection. Hence the necessity for the final injection was not established.

Following the appearance of the first tumor, the mice were examined each week, with the exception of the 17th, 21st, and 24th weeks following the first injection. As a routine procedure, any mouse dying was

autopsied and examined macroscopically for the presence of tumor. Pieces from every tumor were fixed in Tellycsniczky's fluid.

The experiment was discontinued on February 8, 1934, just 27 weeks after the initial injection. The results of the experiment are shown in table 1. The lard-control mice are omitted from the table, since none developed tumors during the entire period of observation.

TABLE 1.—Results of injection of dibenzanthracene in lard

Strain	Sex	Number of mice injected	Died from other causes	Number of mice developing tumor	Percent	Living on Feb. 8, 1934
A.....	Male.....	60	21	27	45	12
A.....	Female.....	65	16	31	48	18
M.....	Male.....	30	4	20	67	6
M.....	Female.....	72	18	18	25	36
C <sub>3</sub> H.....	Male.....	9	4	5	55	0
C <sub>3</sub> H.....	Female.....	10	4	6	60	0
CBA.....	Male.....	22	12	8	36	2
CBA.....	Female.....	36	8	23	64	5
Stock.....	Male.....	12	10	2	16	0
Stock.....	Female.....	29	11	7	24	11
D.....	Male.....	23	3	6	26	14
Total.....		368	111	153	41	104

It is seen that the dibenzanthracene-lard solution induced tumors in all five pure strain stocks as well as in the "market mice".

The time of appearance of tumors is shown in table 2. It is seen that the greatest number were observed from the nineteenth to the twenty-sixth week.

TABLE 2.—Time in weeks of the appearance of dibenzanthracene-lard tumors in mice

Time in weeks.....		15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	Total number of tumors
Strain	Sex	Numbers of tumors observed													
A.....	Female.....	2	2		3	3	2		5	5		6	3	1	31
A.....	Male.....	2	1			1	3		5	3		7	5		27
C <sub>3</sub> H.....	Female.....	1	1			1	1		1	1					6
C <sub>3</sub> H.....	Male.....	1	1			2	1								5
CBA.....	Female.....	1			2	1	3		5	4		4	2	1	23
CBA.....	Male.....								1	2		4	1		8
M.....	Female.....						1		4	1		6	5	1	18
M.....	Male.....				1	2	2		6	5		1	2	1	20
Stock.....	Female.....	1			1	2			2				1		7
Stock.....	Male.....	1							1						2
D.....	Male.....				1				3	1		1			6
Total.....		9	4		8	12	13		33	22		29	19	4	153

#### LUNG TUMORS

As stated previously, the mice dying or killed were examined for macroscopic evidence of tumor in sites other than that where the dibenzanthracene-lard solution was injected. A number of tumors were found in the lungs, most of which were verified by histological



examination. The number of lung tumors in the various strains is listed below:

Strain A female.....	18
Strain A male.....	11
Strain CBA female.....	1
Strain M male.....	1
Stock female.....	3

It is not clear whether these tumors were metastases or primary lung tumors. One lung tumor was observed in a mouse free of tumor at the site of the dibenzanthracene-lard injections. This problem is receiving further consideration.

#### HISTOLOGICAL FINDINGS

In all, 50 of the 153 tumors arising at the site of injection were examined microscopically. Practically all were spindle-cell sarcomas. While most of the tumors were composed entirely of spindle cells, a few were of the mixed type, containing, in addition to the common spindle cells, considerable numbers of round or of giant cells. One was apparently a mixture of carcinoma and sarcoma. All sections showed active invasion of voluntary muscle. Further evidence of malignancy was obtained from transmission experiments described below.

#### TRANSPLANTATION EXPERIMENTS

In conformity with the purpose of the experiment, attempts were made to transplant the induced tumors into normal mice. In all, 11 tumors were transplanted by grafts into mice of the same strain as the animal bearing the tumor, as well as into other pure strains or into stock mice. The usual trocar technique was employed in all these experiments. The results are summarized in table 3.

TABLE 3.—Results of transplantation experiments of dibenzanthracene-lard tumors

Experiment no.	Strain in which tumor arose	Strains into which original tumor was transplanted																	
		Strain A			Strain C <sub>3</sub> H			Strain CBA			Strain M			Strain D			Stock		
		Number of mice inoculated	Positive	Negative	Number of mice inoculated	Positive	Negative	Number of mice inoculated	Positive	Negative	Number of mice inoculated	Positive	Negative	Number of mice inoculated	Positive	Negative	Number of mice inoculated	Positive	Negative
1	A	8	8	0	8	0	8							8	0	8	8	0	8
2	A	3	3	0	6	0	6							6	0	6	6	0	6
3	A	3	3	0	6	0	6							6	0	6	6	0	6
4	A	3	3	0	3	0	3							5	0	5			
5	CBA			0	5	0	5	5	2	3				6	0	6			
6	CBA				5	0	5	5	3	2									
7	M				7	0	7				7	7	0	7	0	7			
8	M										12	12	0	6	0	6			
9	D				7	0	7							14	14	0	0		
10	D				4	0	4				8	0	8	15	15	0			
11	C <sub>3</sub> H				18	18	0	8	0	8				6	0	6			

The results show clearly that the induced tumors are similar to spontaneous tumors arising within a pure stock, since they grew only in mice of the strain in which the tumor had its origin. No difficulty has been encountered in subsequent serial transmission of two of these tumors into animals of the same strain in which they originated.

#### SUMMARY

The results of the experiment confirm the findings of Burrows, Hieger, and Kennaway in showing that the subcutaneous injection of dibenzanthracene-lard solution induces sarcomas in mice. In addition, it has been shown that this solution induces tumors in pure-strain mice which, under normal conditions, do not develop spontaneous tumors. Thus, it is shown that the genetic constitution of a pure strain of mice does not prevent the cells from becoming malignant when exposed to this carcinogenic agent.

Transmission experiments demonstrate that the induced tumors grow only in mice of the same strain in which they originated. In this respect they are similar to spontaneous tumors arising in pure-strain mice.

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### COURT DECISION ON PUBLIC HEALTH

*Measure of damages recoverable because of injury to real property by construction and operation of sewer and sewage disposal tank.*—(Kansas City, Mo., Court of Appeals; *Carpenter et al. v. City of Versailles*, 65 S.W.(2d) 957; decided Dec. 4, 1933.) An action was brought against the city of Versailles to recover damages for injury to real property alleged to have been caused by the construction and operation of a sewer and sewage disposal tank. In the trial court there was a verdict and judgment for the plaintiffs, and the city appealed.

The first of the plaintiffs' instructions was as follows:

The court instructs the jury that, under the law and the evidence in this case, your verdict and finding must be for the plaintiffs on the claim for permanent damages and you will assess plaintiffs' damages in accordance with the further instructions in this case.

The court of appeals declared that this instruction was clearly erroneous, saying:

\* \* \* In it the court assumed that there were permanent damages, and upon so assuming told the jury to ascertain the amount thereof. Under the evidence the question as to whether or not there were permanent damages was for the jury. It was one of fact and not of law.

The plaintiffs made the contention that the said instruction was not erroneous for the reason that the discharge of sewage upon the land was wrongful and that, therefore, they were entitled to recover at least nominal damages. In answer the appellate court said:

\* \* \* Nominal damages may be recovered for the invasion of a right, though actual damages were not sustained. Permanent damages, however, may not be recovered without showing actual damages. The court did not merely direct a verdict for plaintiffs as it could rightfully have done, but it told the jury that plaintiffs were entitled to recover for permanent damages. Such damages were not recoverable, unless the jury found as a fact that plaintiffs had sustained actual damages.

The court declared the measure of damages to be the difference in the reasonable market value of the land immediately before and immediately after the appropriation. "The sewer system is a permanent structure, and the plaintiffs may not recover loss of rents."

The judgment was reversed and the cause remanded.

### DEATHS DURING WEEK ENDED MAY 5, 1934

[From the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce]

	Week ended May 5, 1934	Correspond- ing week, 1933
Data from 86 large cities of the United States:		
Total deaths.....	8,606	8,003
Deaths per 1,000 population, annual basis.....	12.0	11.2
Deaths under 1 year of age.....	626	608
Deaths under 1 year of age per 1,000 estimated live births.....	58	53
Deaths per 1,000 population, annual basis, first 18 weeks of year.....	12.5	12.0
Data from industrial insurance companies:		
Policies in force.....	67,748,069	68,357,913
Number of death claims.....	13,221	12,654
Death claims per 1,000 policies in force, annual rate.....	10.2	9.7
Death claims per 1,000 policies, first 18 weeks of year, annual rate.....	11.0	10.9

<sup>1</sup> Data for 81 cities.

# PREVALENCE OF DISEASE

*No health department, State or local, can effectively prevent or control disease without knowledge of when, where, and under what conditions cases are occurring*

## UNITED STATES

### CURRENT WEEKLY STATE REPORTS

These reports are preliminary, and the figures are subject to change when later returns are received by the State health officers

Reports for Weeks Ended May 12, 1934, and May 13, 1933

*Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended May 12, 1934, and May 13, 1933*

Division and State	Diphtheria		Influenza		Measles		Meningococcus meningitis	
	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933
<b>New England States:</b>								
Maine.....	3		1	2	39	3	0	0
New Hampshire.....					122	40	0	0
Vermont.....		1			58	3	0	0
Massachusetts.....	14	20	1		1,566	623	2	0
Rhode Island.....		2			56		0	1
Connecticut.....	2			4	90	305	0	0
<b>Middle Atlantic States:</b>								
New York.....	39	80	19	12	1,205	3,205	3	5
New Jersey.....	18	33	12	4	689	1,575	0	1
Pennsylvania.....	39	56			3,880	1,635	3	6
<b>East North Central States:</b>								
Ohio.....	29	41	67	122	1,944	610	3	0
Indiana.....	15	12	12	14	1,296	292	0	4
Illinois.....	29	20	19	15	2,700	791	8	15
Michigan.....	14	19	3	16	367	822	1	2
Wisconsin.....	3	2	43	20	2,558	458	1	1
<b>West North Central States:</b>								
Minnesota.....	17	4		1	326	676	0	2
Iowa.....	6	12	2		311	83	0	2
Missouri.....	48	24	41	8	883	202	6	3
North Dakota.....	2	6			213	115	0	0
South Dakota.....	3	3		2	256	17	0	0
Nebraska.....	12	6			423	184	2	1
Kansas.....	7	7	3		836	301	0	2
<b>South Atlantic States:</b>								
Delaware.....	1	2		1	173	18	0	0
Maryland.....	11	7	8	4	2,504	21	1	0
District of Columbia.....	11	6			94	30	0	1
Virginia.....	12	11			1,407	340	2	0
West Virginia.....	2	6	20	7	141	51	2	0
North Carolina.....	18	12	90	2	1,861	635	1	1
South Carolina.....	7	4	246	165	411	283	0	0
Georgia.....	2	1		37	408	121	0	0
Florida.....	8	11	2	2	578	32	0	0
<b>East South Central States:</b>								
Kentucky.....	11	7	13	12	418	17	1	1
Tennessee.....	5	4	21	30	487	45	2	4
Alabama.....	9	7	36	11	645	157	3	3
Mississippi.....	5	7					0	0

See footnotes at end of table.

*Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended May 12, 1934, and May 13, 1933.—Continued*

Division and State	Diphtheria		Influenza		Measles		Meningococcus meningitis	
	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933
West South Central States:								
Arkansas.....	4	2	3	11	16	181	2	0
Louisiana.....	24	11	20	11	216	24	3	0
Oklahoma.....	14	6	23	11	245	204	0	1
Texas.....	72	54	171	108	774	1,569	1	4
Mountain States:								
Montana.....	5	3	25	2	80	24	0	0
Idaho.....				3	34	29	1	0
Wyoming.....					39	30	0	0
Colorado.....	11	5		27	1,082	10	0	0
New Mexico.....	3	3			98	8	0	0
Arizona.....	1	3	1		62	74	1	0
Utah.....	1	1	5	2	107	17	0	0
Pacific States:								
Washington.....	1	3	1	1	197	65	0	1
Oregon.....	1			28	43	97	1	0
California.....	39	30	23	37	731	1,388	2	2
Total.....	578	554	920	733	32,768	17,410	52	63

Division and State	Poliomyelitis		Scarlet fever		Smallpox		Typhoid fever	
	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933
New England States:								
Maine.....	0	0	22	33	0	0	13	3
New Hampshire.....	0	0	21	8	0	0	0	0
Vermont.....	0	0	5	8	0	0	4	0
Massachusetts.....	1	1	198	305	0	0	2	2
Rhode Island.....	0	0	14	24	0	0	0	1
Connecticut.....	1	0	70	113	0	0	0	1
Middle Atlantic States:								
New York.....	2	0	835	770	0	0	9	14
New Jersey.....	0	1	194	252	0	0	1	5
Pennsylvania.....	1	1	638	873	0	0	13	13
East North Central States:								
Ohio.....	1	0	909	1,029	1	7	6	6
Indiana.....	0	1	113	127	1	2	3	2
Illinois.....	1	3	513	432	5	10	2	28
Michigan.....	1	1	629	508	0	0	7	5
Wisconsin.....	0	0	335	114	32	5	1	2
West North Central States:								
Minnesota.....	0	0	90	93	6	0	1	0
Iowa.....	0	0	41	22	4	8	1	1
Missouri.....	2	0	79	58	7	11	7	1
North Dakota.....	0	0	41	5	0	0	2	0
South Dakota.....	0	0	6	13	1	0	0	2
Nebraska.....	0	0	25	10	12	1	5	0
Kansas.....	0	1	31	51	8	2	4	2
South Atlantic States:								
Delaware.....	0	0	11	15	0	0	3	0
Maryland.....	1	0	38	81	0	0	14	6
District of Columbia.....	0	0	10	17	0	0	1	0
Virginia.....	0	0	24	34	0	0	10	6
West Virginia.....	0	0	57	24	0	0	7	5
North Carolina.....	0	0	18	37	1	2	2	7
South Carolina.....	0	0	2	4	0	0	7	17
Georgia.....	0	0	4	10	1	0	3	8
Florida.....	0	1	2	2	0	0	4	2
East South Central States:								
Kentucky.....	0	0	44	32	0	0	9	4
Tennessee.....	0	0	13	33	2	4	2	13
Alabama.....	0	0	6	8	0	23	0	7
Mississippi.....	0	0	13	5	0	0	2	3

See footnotes at end of table.



*Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended May 12, 1934, and May 13, 1933.—Continued*

Division and State	Poliomyelitis		Scarlet fever		Smallpox		Typhoid fever	
	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933	Week ended May 12, 1934	Week ended May 13, 1933
<b>West South Central States:</b>								
Arkansas.....	1	0	8	4	1	3	5	4
Louisiana.....	0	0	27	8	6	1	14	16
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	0	1	16	7	4	37	1	4
Texas <sup>2</sup> .....	2	2	45	52	37	31	15	13
<b>Mountain States:</b>								
Montana <sup>3</sup> .....	1	0	15	6	1	0	1	6
Idaho <sup>4</sup> .....	1	0	3	3	14	3	1	1
Wyoming <sup>5</sup> .....	0	0	2	11	12	0	0	0
Colorado.....	0	0	15	28	5	4	0	0
New Mexico.....	0	0	13	5	0	0	0	1
Arizona.....	10	0	5	5	0	0	1	0
Utah.....	0	0	8	4	4	0	0	0
<b>Pacific States:</b>								
Washington.....	0	2	40	50	2	7	8	3
Oregon <sup>3</sup> .....	0	0	36	37	6	11	3	1
California.....	20	1	172	150	1	42	11	7
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5,456</b>	<b>5,520</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>221</b>

<sup>1</sup> New York City only.

<sup>2</sup> Week ended earlier than Saturday.

<sup>3</sup> Typhus fever, week ended May 12, 1934, 9 cases, as follows: Georgia, 4; Alabama, 3; Texas, 2.

<sup>4</sup> Exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

<sup>5</sup> Rocky Mountain spotted fever, week ended May 12, 1934, 20 cases, as follows: Montana, 9; Idaho, 2; Wyoming, 5; Oregon 4.

### SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REPORTS FROM STATES

The following summary of cases reported monthly by States is published weekly and covers only those States from which reports are received during the current week.

State	Menin- gococ- cus menin- gitis	Diph- theria	Influ- enza	Ma- laria	Mea- sles	Pel- lagra	Polio- mye- litis	Scarlet fever	Small- pox	Ty- phoid fever
<i>April 1934</i>										
Arizona.....	2	9	64	-----	329	1	5	106	0	3
Indiana.....	6	68	73	-----	3,953	-----	1	721	2	28
Massachusetts.....	9	59	-----	-----	9,138	1	1	1,001	0	8
Missouri.....	17	171	420	56	3,993	-----	1	415	22	21
New Jersey.....	5	57	77	1	2,885	-----	1	850	0	14
New York.....	5	256	-----	11	4,608	-----	4	3,506	0	33
North Carolina.....	4	69	185	-----	10,321	66	2	110	7	4
North Dakota.....	-----	12	26	-----	782	-----	0	154	0	3
Wyoming.....	1	4	-----	-----	358	-----	0	37	8	1

#### April 1934

Chicken pox:	Cases
Arizona.....	84
Indiana.....	395
Massachusetts.....	1,000
Missouri.....	368
New Jersey.....	1,608
New York.....	2,543
North Carolina.....	673
North Dakota.....	61
Wyoming.....	40
<b>Dysentery:</b>	
Arizona.....	11
Massachusetts (amoebic).....	2
Missouri.....	9

#### April 1934—Continued

Dysentery—Continued.	Cases
New Jersey.....	3
New York (amoebic).....	9
New York (bacillary).....	8
North Dakota (amoebic).....	1
<b>German measles:</b>	
Arizona.....	93
Massachusetts.....	70
New Jersey.....	623
New York.....	214
North Carolina.....	215
Wyoming.....	2
<b>Lead poisoning:</b>	
Massachusetts.....	1

#### April 1934—Continued

Lethargic encephalitis:	Cases
Massachusetts.....	7
Missouri.....	6
New Jersey.....	3
New York.....	7
<b>Mumps:</b>	
Arizona.....	22
Indiana.....	50
Massachusetts.....	549
Missouri.....	608
New Jersey.....	444
North Dakota.....	4
Wyoming.....	8

April 1934—Contd.		April 1934—Contd.		April 1934—Contd.	
	Cases		Cases		Cases
Ophthalmia neonatorum:		Septic sore throat—Con.		Undulant fever:	
Massachusetts.....	96	New York.....	74	Missouri.....	3
New Jersey.....	2	North Carolina.....	5	New Jersey.....	5
New York.....	7	Wyoming.....	23	New York.....	41
North Carolina.....	1	Tetanus:		North Carolina.....	1
Paratyphoid fever:		Massachusetts.....	2	Vincent's infection:	
Massachusetts.....	1	Tick paralysis:		New York.....	178
New York.....	7	Wyoming.....	1	North Dakota.....	4
Rabies in animals:		Trachoma:		Wyoming.....	2
Indiana.....	47	Arizona.....	54	Whooping cough:	
Massachusetts.....	25	Massachusetts.....	2	Arizona.....	227
Missouri.....	28	Trichinosis:		Indiana.....	413
New Jersey.....	20	Massachusetts.....	1	Massachusetts.....	1,634
Rocky Mountain spotted fever:		New Jersey.....	6	Missouri.....	1,098
Wyoming.....	20	New York.....	9	New Jersey.....	946
Septic sore throat:		Tularaemia:		New York.....	1,710
Massachusetts.....	18	Missouri.....	2	North Carolina.....	1,477
Missouri.....	114	Wyoming.....	1	North Dakota.....	65
		Typhus fever:		Wyoming.....	8
		New York.....	1		

1 Exclusive of New York City.

### PLAGUE-INFECTED GROUND SQUIRRELS IN TULARE COUNTY, CALIF.

The Director of Public Health of the State of California has reported that on May 9, 1934, 3 lots of ground squirrels, including 7 animals, were found to be plague infected. They were from Tulare County, near Fountain Springs, in the interior of California.

### CASES OF VENEREAL DISEASES REPORTED FOR MARCH 1934

This statement is published monthly for the information of health officers in order to furnish current data as to the prevalence of the venereal diseases. The figures are taken from reports received from State health officers. They are preliminary and are, therefore, subject to correction. It is hoped that the publication of these reports will stimulate more complete reporting of these diseases.

State	Syphilis		Gonorrhea	
	Cases reported during month	Monthly case rates per 10,000 population	Cases reported during month	Monthly case rates per 10,000 population
Alabama <sup>1</sup> .....				
Arizona.....	42	0.93	134	2.96
Arkansas.....	357	1.91	199	1.06
California <sup>1</sup> .....	1,005	1.66	787	1.30
Colorado <sup>1</sup> .....				
Connecticut <sup>1</sup> .....	205	1.25	118	.72
Delaware.....	96	3.98	34	1.41
District of Columbia.....	151	3.05	109	2.20
Florida.....	306	1.97	51	.33
Georgia.....	431	1.48	502	1.72
Idaho.....	0		0	
Illinois.....	1,618	2.07	1,396	1.78
Indiana.....	160	.49	122	.37
Iowa <sup>2</sup> .....	131	.63	160	.64
Kansas.....	111	.59	52	.27
Kentucky.....	232	.88	359	1.36
Louisiana.....	122	.57	111	.52
Maine.....	57	.71	47	.59
Maryland.....	597	3.59	190	1.14
Massachusetts <sup>1</sup> .....	376	.87	487	1.13
Michigan <sup>1</sup> .....				
Minnesota.....	393	1.52	306	1.19
Mississippi.....	983	4.80	1,580	7.72
Missouri.....	527	1.44	394	1.07
Montana <sup>2</sup> .....	22	.41	29	.54
Nebraska.....	43	.31	72	.52
Nevada <sup>1</sup> .....				
New Hampshire <sup>2</sup> .....				
New Jersey <sup>3</sup> .....				
New Mexico <sup>1</sup> .....	42	.97	25	.36
New York.....	5,519	4.26	1,326	1.02
North Carolina.....	1,116	3.41	384	1.17

See footnotes at end of table.

## CASES OF VENEREAL DISEASES REPORTED FOR MARCH 1934—Contd.

State	Syphilis		Gonorrhea	
	Cases reported during month	Monthly case rates per 10,000 population	Cases reported during month	Monthly case rates per 10,000 population
North Dakota.....	34	.49	54	.79
Ohio.....	473	.68	207	.30
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	157	.64	118	.48
Oregon.....	108	1.10	72	.73
Pennsylvania.....	337	.34	219	.22
Rhode Island.....	78	1.11	39	.56
South Carolina <sup>1</sup> .....	599	3.43	647	3.70
South Dakota <sup>1</sup> .....				
Tennessee.....	1,162	4.36	530	1.99
Texas <sup>1</sup> .....	54	.09	7	.01
Utah <sup>1</sup> .....				
Vermont.....	17	.47	18	.50
Virginia.....	840	3.44	360	1.47
Washington.....	88	.55	185	1.16
West Virginia <sup>1</sup> .....				
Wisconsin <sup>1</sup> .....	44	.15	95	.32
Wyoming.....	0		4	.17
Total.....	18,633	1.71	11,531	1.06

<sup>1</sup> Not reporting.<sup>2</sup> Incomplete.<sup>3</sup> Have been reporting regularly but no report received for current month.<sup>4</sup> Only cases of syphilis in the infectious stage are reported.

NOTE.—Surveys in which all medical sources have been contacted in representative communities throughout the United States have revealed that the monthly rate per 10,000 population is 6.6 for syphilis and 10.2 for gonorrhea.

## WEEKLY REPORTS FROM CITIES

City reports for week ended May 5, 1934

[This table summarizes the reports received regularly from a selected list of 121 cities for the purpose of showing a cross section of the current urban incidence of the communicable diseases listed in the table. Weekly reports are received from about 700 cities, from which the data are tabulated and filed for reference.]

State and city	Diphtheria cases	Influenza		Measles cases	Pneumonia deaths	Scarlet fever cases	Small-pox cases	Tuberculosis deaths	Typhoid fever cases	Whooping cough cases	Deaths, all causes
		Cases	Deaths								
Maine:											
Portland.....	0	1	0	1	7	3	0	0	0	11	18
New Hampshire:											
Concord.....	0		0	5	1	0	0	0	0	2	8
Manchester.....	0			3		4	0		0	0	5
Nashua.....	0			17		2	0		0	0	
Vermont:											
Barre.....	0		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	5
Burlington.....	0			0		1	0		0	8	6
Massachusetts:											
Boston.....	1		0	186	29	51	0	17	0	60	226
Fall River.....	0		0	0	1	2	0	0	0	3	25
Springfield.....	0		0	3	0	2	0	1	0	11	35
Worcester.....	1		0	2	5	10	0	2	1	11	54
Rhode Island:											
Pawtucket.....	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Providence.....	16		0	0	3	14	0	4	1	6	50
Connecticut:											
Bridgeport.....	0		0	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	29
Hartford.....	0		0	0	1	7	0	1	1	0	52
New Haven.....	0		1	0	2	2	0	1	0	3	23
New York:											
Buffalo.....	4		0	64	29	15	0	13	0	7	168
New York.....	34	12	5	229	175	329	0	85	3	117	1,579
Rochester.....	0		1	2	3	55	0	1	0	7	73
Syracuse.....	0		0	50	2	3	0	2	0	66	52

## City reports for week ended May 5, 1934—Continued

State and city	Diph- theria cases	Influenza		Meas- les cases	Pneu- monia deaths	Scar- let fever cases	Small- pox cases	Tuber- culosis deaths	Ty- phoid fever cases	Whoop- ing cough cases	Deaths all causes
		Cases	Deaths								
New Jersey:											
Camden	0	1	1	21	4	14	0	1	0	0	33
Newark	0		0	35	5	14	0	5	0	26	100
Trenton	1	2	0	98	0	13	0	0	0	0	33
Pennsylvania:											
Philadelphia	2	3	2	502	42	112	0	36	0	40	497
Pittsburgh	11	4	3	295	28	34	0	5	1	26	212
Reading	2		0	3	1	4	0	1	0	4	30
Scranton	0			3		7	0		0	7	
Ohio:											
Cleveland	5	25	3	161	26	157	0	13	0	95	194
Columbus	0	1	1	1	12	58	0	7	0	42	101
Toledo	2	2	1	110	6	39	0	7	0	118	83
Indiana:											
Fort Wayne	2		0	38	1	8	0	2	0	1	32
Indianapolis	0		0	416	12	14	0	7	1	36	
South Bend	0		0	12	2	4	0	0	0	0	22
Terre Haute	1		0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	27
Illinois:											
Chicago	7	2	6	563	64	270	0	31	1	141	721
Chgo.			0		1			0			7
Springfield	2	1	0	79	1	1	0	0	0	15	25
Michigan:											
Detroit	7	2	1	122	27	151	0	20	0	173	305
Flint	0		0	27	0	100	0	1	0	15	17
Grand Rapids	0		0	4	3	16	0	2	0	3	39
Wisconsin:											
Kenosha	0			1		9	0		0	2	9
Madison	0			14		3	0		0	12	14
Milwaukee	1	1	1	54	10	111	0	4	0	85	125
Racine	0		0	2	0	10	1	1	0	5	14
Superior	0		0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	13
Minnesota:											
Duluth	0		0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	30
Minneapolis	1		1	19	9	12	0	2	0	21	116
St. Paul	1		0	10	8	8	0	4	0	36	70
Iowa:											
Davenport	0			19		4	0		0	0	
Des Moines	2		0	0		23	0		0	0	32
Sioux City	0			36		1	0		0	0	
Waterloo	0					0	0		0	10	
Missouri:											
Kansas City	5		0	5	10	30	0	6	0	10	115
St. Joseph	5		0	14	3	1	0	1	1	1	14
St. Louis	15	2	3	39	14	23	0	11	0	55	265
North Dakota:											
Fargo	0		0	33	0	0	0	0	0	9	12
Grand Forks	0			0		0	0		0	2	
South Dakota:											
Aberdeen	0			36		2	0		0	8	
Sioux Falls	0			4		0	0		0	0	6
Nebraska:											
Omaha	2		0	150	7	17	5	1	0	10	53
Kansas:											
Topeka	0		0	15	2	0	0	0	0	27	4
Wichita	0		0	45	4	2	0	1	0	35	25
Delaware:											
Wilmington	0		0	32	4	1	0	0	0	2	31
Maryland:											
Baltimore	0	2	0	1,780	18	34	0	17	6	118	223
Cumberland	1		0	10	1	3	0	0	0	9	11
Frederick											
District of Col.:											
Washington	3	2	1	97	15	10	0	7	0	35	158
Virginia:											
Lynchburg	0		0	19	0	0	0	1	0	8	14
Norfolk	0		0	13	2	0	0	1	0	2	23
Richmond	0		1	167	5	0	0	4	0	0	45
Roanoke	1		0	3	3	1	0	0	0	7	20
West Virginia:											
Charleston	0		0	15	2	1	0	0	0	9	18
Huntington	0			0		8	0		0	0	
Wheeling	0		1	7	1	18	0	1	0	9	19

## City reports for week ended May 5, 1934—Continued

State and city	Diph- theria cases	Influenza		Mea- sles cases	Pneu- monia deaths	Scar- let fever cases	Small- pox cases	Tuber- culosis deaths	Ty- phoid fever cases	Whoop- ing cough cases	Deaths, all causes
		Cases	Deaths								
North Carolina:											
Raleigh	0		0	7	1	0	0	1	0	23	17
Wilmington	0		0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	17
Winston-Salem	0	1	1	8	1	0	0	1	0	8	12
South Carolina:											
Charleston	0	7	1	18	0	1	0	2	1	1	28
Columbia	0		0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	20
Greenville	0		0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	8
Georgia:											
Atlanta	1	5	1	45	7	1	0	3	1	2	79
Brunswick	0		0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Savannah	0	7	1	50	1	0	0	1	0	4	20
Florida:											
Miami	1		1	211	1	1	0	4	1	4	26
Tampa	0	1	1	166	3	0	0	2	0	0	25
Kentucky:											
Ashland	0			50		0	0		0	0	
Lexington	1		0	36	1	2	0	2	0	13	20
Louisville	6	1	1	67	4	15	0	0	0	63	74
Tennessee:											
Memphis	2		1	51	14	2	0	8	0	20	92
Nashville	0		1	4	6	0	0	1	0	4	60
Alabama:											
Birmingham	1	3	0	71	4	3	0	6	1	1	61
Mobile	0		0	2	1	1	0	3	1	0	23
Montgomery	1			51		0	0		0	1	
Arkansas:											
Fort Smith	0			0		0	0		0	0	
Little Rock	0		0	9	1	3	0	0	0	1	2
Louisiana:											
New Orleans	18	1	0	45	11	7	0	11	0	1	145
Shreveport	1		0	9	3	1	0	8	0	2	37
Oklahoma:											
Oklahoma City	1		0	0	11	2	0	2	0	0	49
Texas:											
Dallas	9	2	2		8	3	0	1	0	21	51
Fort Worth	1		0	1	4	5	1	1	3	8	
Galveston	0		0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	14
Houston	9		0	5	6	3	3	6	1	0	76
San Antonio	0		0	10	2	0	1	2	0	0	52
Montana:											
Billings	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7
Great Falls	0		0	10	2	0	0	0	0	1	6
Helena	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Missoula	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Idaho:											
Boise	0		0	5	1	0	0	1	0	2	9
Colorado:											
Denver	1	31	1	466	8	7	0	5	0	67	74
Pueblo	0		0	15	0	1	0	0	0	12	9
New Mexico:											
Albuquerque	1		0	56	0	3	0	0	0	5	7
Utah:											
Salt Lake City	0		0	39	1	9	0	1	0	83	22
Nevada:											
Reno	0		0	10	1	0	0	0	0	4	5
Washington:											
Seattle	1			4		23	1		0	53	
Spokane	0		0	3	2	2	0	0	0	20	25
Tacoma	0		0	6	2	0	0	1	0	7	23
Oregon:											
Portland	1		0	20	4	20	0	0	1	18	63
Salem	0			1		0	0		0	0	
California:											
Los Angeles	17	13	0	44	11	49	0	15	1	58	284
Sacramento	2		0	3	0	1	0	2	0	8	27
San Francisco	1	1	1	216	8	13	0	4	0	17	137



## City reports for week ended May 5, 1934—Continued

State and city	Meningococcus meningitis		Polio-myelitis cases	State and city	Meningococcus meningitis		Polio-myelitis cases
	Cases	Deaths			Cases	Deaths	
Massachusetts:				Missouri:			
Boston.....	1	0	0	Kansas City.....	1	1	0
Springfield.....	0	1	0	St. Louis.....	2	1	0
New York:				Virginia:			
New York.....	4	1	2	Lynchburg.....	0	1	0
New Jersey:				Richmond.....	0	1	0
Newark.....	1	0	0	North Carolina:			
Pennsylvania:				Winston-Salem.....	1	1	0
Philadelphia.....	2	1	1	Alabama:			
Pittsburgh.....	3	2	0	Birmingham.....	1	0	0
Ohio:				Oklahoma:			
Cleveland.....	2	1	1	Oklahoma City.....	2	0	0
Toledo.....	1	1	0	Oregon:			
Illinois:				Portland.....	0	0	1
Chicago.....	10	4	0	California: <sup>1</sup>			
Minnesota:				Los Angeles.....	1	0	2
Minneapolis.....	1	0	0				
Iowa:							
Sioux City.....	0	1	0				

*Lethargic encephalitis*.—Cases: Chicago, 1; Detroit, 1; Washington, 1.

*Pellagra*.—Cases: Boston, 2; Atlanta, 1; Savannah, 1; Nashville, 1; Birmingham, 1; New Orleans, 2; Dallas, 1; Los Angeles, 2.

<sup>1</sup> For the week ended May 12, 1934, 7 cases of poliomyelitis were reported in Los Angeles City, Calif., and 8 cases in the county of Los Angeles outside of the city. For the week ended May 12, 1934, the State of California reported 20 cases of poliomyelitis, and for the week ended May 19, the State reported 36 cases.

## FOREIGN AND INSULAR

### CANADA

*Quebec Province—Communicable diseases—2 weeks ended May 5, 1934.*—The Bureau of Health of the Province of Quebec, Canada, reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the 2 weeks ended May 5, 1934, as follows:

Disease	Cases	Disease	Cases
Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	2	Ophthalmia neonatorum.....	4
Chicken pox.....	141	Poliomyelitis.....	2
Diphtheria.....	43	Puerperal fever.....	3
Dysentery.....	1	Scarlet fever.....	125
Erysipelas.....	10	Tuberculosis.....	110
German measles.....	21	Typhoid fever.....	41
Influenza.....	2	Undulant fever.....	1
Lethargic encephalitis.....	1	Whooping cough.....	211
Measles.....	626		

### IRISH FREE STATE

*Vital statistics—Fourth quarter 1933.*—The following statistics for the Irish Free State for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 1933, are taken from the quarterly return of marriages, births, and deaths, issued by the registrar general, and are provisional:

	Number	Rates per 1,000 popula- tion		Number	Rates per 1,000 popula- tion
Population.....	2,992,000		Deaths from—Continued.		
Marriages.....	3,354	4.50	Diphtheria.....	128	
Births.....	13,763	18.40	Influenza.....	164	0.22
Total deaths.....	9,730	13.00	Measles.....	14	
Deaths under 1 year.....	933	( <sup>1</sup> )	Puerperal sepsis.....	29	<sup>2</sup> 2.11
Deaths from:			Scarlet fever.....	25	
Cancer.....	842	1.13	Tuberculosis (all forms).....	791	1.06
Diarrhea and enteritis (under 2 years).....	158		Typhoid fever.....	20	
			Whooping cough.....	66	

<sup>1</sup> Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 births, 68.

<sup>2</sup> Per 1,000 births.

## PANAMA CANAL ZONE

*Communicable diseases—January–March 1934.*—During the months of January, February, and March 1934, certain communicable diseases, including imported cases, were reported in the Panama Canal Zone and terminal cities, as follows:

Disease	January		February		March	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Anthrax.....					1	
Chicken pox.....	19		30		47	
Diphtheria.....	20		14	2	10	1
Dysentery (amoebic).....	21	2	23	1	5	1
Dysentery (bacillary).....					1	1
Leprosy.....			1		1	1
Malaria.....	183	6	117	2	66	3
Measles.....	10		3		6	
Mumps.....	3		1		1	
Pneumonia.....		29		20		19
Relapsing fever.....	1					
Scarlet fever.....					1	
Tuberculosis.....		31		11		22
Typhoid fever.....	2	1	4		2	
Typhus fever.....			1		1	
Whooping cough.....	14		14		24	



Place	October 1933			November 1933			December 1933			January 1934			February 1934			March 1934		
	1-10	11-20	21-31	1-10	11-20	21-30	1-10	11-20	21-31	1-10	11-20	21-31	1-10	11-20	21-31	1-10	11-20	21-31
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Iloilo Province.....	C	12	2	1														
Iloilo.....	D	11	3															
Occidental Misamis Province.....	D		3															
Occidental Negros Province.....	D																	
Oriental Negros Province.....	D																	
Samar Province.....	D																	
Siam.....	D	20																
Bangkok.....	D	14																
On vessel: S.S. Chyebassa at Calcutta.....	C																	
Indo-China (French) (see also table above):																		
Cambodia:	C																	
Cochin-China:	D																	
	D	5	5	3														

1 No cholera was reported in the Philippine Islands during the week ended May 12, 1934.

2 For the month of October 1933.

3 Reports incomplete.



**CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER—Continued**

## PLAGUE!

[C indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]

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Bombay.....	C	3	1	1	1	5	6	5	1	1	1	1	1	2	4	1	2	2	16
Plague-infected rats.....	C	475	61	1	1	2	2	4	1	1	2	4	10	2	2	1	2	10	
Poona.....	C	527	53																
Calcutta.....	D			1															
Delhi.....	D			1															
Madras Presidency.....	C	521	537	676	881	209	147	143	145	134	82							1	
Rangoon.....	D	294	257	317	497	110	83	97	76	69	51							1	
Plague-infected rats.....	C	1	1	2	3	1	1	2	1	3	1	5						1	
India (Portuguese).....	C																	1	
Indo-China (see also table below):																		1	
Pnom-Penh.....	D	2		1	1	1													
Saloon and Cholon.....	C			5	1	1													
Iraq: Baghdad.....	C	1	2	11	2	2													
Libya.....	D			6	1														
Madagascar. (See table below.)																			
Peru. (See table below.)																			
Portuguese West Africa.....	C																		
Senegal. (See table below.)	C																		
Siam.....	C																		
South-West Africa. <sup>1</sup>	C																		
Union of South Africa:																			
Cape Province.....	C																		
Orange Free State.....	C	18	3	13															
Transvaal.....	C			1															
United States—California: <sup>2</sup>																			
Kern County—Plague-infected ground squirrels.....																			
Santa Clara County—Plague-infected ground squirrels.....																			
Tulare County—Plague-infected ground squirrels.....																			
On vessels:																			
S.S. Angkor at Beirut from Marseille.....	C	1																	
At Tutuicorin from Colombo.....	C																		

<sup>1</sup> Including plague in the United States and its possessions.

<sup>2</sup> During December 1933 and January 1934, 32 cases of plague with 17 deaths were reported in Angola.

<sup>3</sup> A report dated Nov. 12, 1933, states that plague was reported in Manchuria, China, as follows: Fengtien Province, 240 cases; Hsingan Province, 200 cases; Jehol Province, 81 cases; Kirin Province, 479 cases.

<sup>4</sup> For 2 weeks.

<sup>5</sup> Imported.

<sup>6</sup> 116 cases of plague with 5 deaths were reported in Ovamboland, South-West Africa, from Jan. 1 to Dec. 2, 1933. Anti-plague measures have been taken.

<sup>7</sup> For the week ended May 5, 1934, 2 lots including 2 plague-infected ground squirrels were reported in Kern County, and 3 lots including 5 plague-infected ground squirrels were reported in Tulare County, Calif. For the week ended May 12, 1934, 3 lots including 7 plague-infected ground squirrels were reported in Tulare County, Calif.

**CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER—Continued**

**PLAGUE—Continued**

[C indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]

Place	October 1933	November 1933	December 1933	January 1934	February 1934	March 1934
Argentina (see also table above)	6	4				1
Bolivia	2	5				
British East Africa (see also table above):						
Kenya	20	36	13	19		
Uganda	71	83	63	49	24	14
Indo-China (see also table above):						
Cambodia	8	2	1	2	4	17
Cochin-China			1	1	1	1
Madagascar				249		
				236		

\* Reports incomplete.

## SMALLPOX

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## CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER—Continued

## SMALLPOX—Continued

[C indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]

Place	Week ended—																	
	February 1934				March 1934				April 1934									
	3	10	17	24	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28					
Great Britain: England and Wales Blackburn.....	10	9	27	32	1	8	16	20	23	11	5	11	5	3	6	3	3	9
London.....																		
London and Great Towns.....	10	9	27	31	1	8	16	13	15	9	4	10	5	3	6	3	3	9
Greece (see also table below): Salonika.....	10	9	27	32	8	16	19	23	11	5	11	5	3	6	3	3	3	9
Honduras: Tegucigalpa.....																		
India.....	4,090	5,677	10,824	12,154	3,837	5,564	5,313	6,439	4,967	8,329	6,888							
Bassein.....	1,070	1,232	2,707	2,937	918	1,149	1,313	1,330	1,047	1,868	1,501							
Bombay Presidency.....	7	12	33	62	23	17	13	17	11	4	5	10	3	3	2	2	1	
Bombay.....	299	673	1,385	1,591	448	537	777	803	809	873	900							
Bombay.....	91	115	286	336	90	95	127	158	123	155	135							
Bombay.....	4	4	20	31	26	11	8	11	10	9	14	12	11	11	11	7	13	
Calcutta.....	4	3	13	11	7	7	5	5	5	5	6	6	5	7	5	5	11	
Calcutta.....	8	13	75	181	80	100	105	81	76	65	76	87	97	90	63	59	42	
Calcutta.....	3	5	42	115	48	58	78	61	66	42	46	66	68	68	56	49	38	
Cochin.....	2	1	4	12	3	4	8	6	14	8	6	6	5	3	3	6	2	
Karachi.....	1	15	3	15	3	4	8	6	14	8	6	6	5	3	3	6	2	
Madras Presidency.....	2,432	2,479	2,297	3,862	1,191		1,286	1,984	2,317	2,452	2,844							
Madras.....	507	447	372	711	197		297	276	360	443	406							
Madras.....	81	41	53	113	24	23	27	21	16	20	23	33	27	23	26	23	23	
Nagapattinam.....	9	17	20	14	8	2	9	9	2	6	9	12	19	21	22	21	15	
Tuticorin.....	1	2	9	4	1	5	6	1	5	1	5	7	9	3	2	8	9	
Vizagapatnam.....	1	2	3	4	1	5	6	1	5	1	5	7	9	3	2	8	9	
India (French): Chanderannagar.....																		
Karikal.....																		
Pondichery.....	1	3	11	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Indo-China (see also table below): Haiphong.....	101	71	93	76	28	32	36	26	37	32	30	56	24	41				
Phnom-Penh.....	63	32	50	43	11	18	16	14	25	14	16	27	17	22				
Indo-China (see also table below): Haiphong.....																		
Phnom-Penh.....																		





## CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER—Continued

## SMALLPOX—Continued

[C indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]

On vessels:	Place	November 1933			December 1933			January 1934			February 1934			March 1934
		Octo-ber 1933	1-10	11-20	21-30	1-10	11-20	21-31	1-10	11-20	21-31	1-10	11-20	21-28
S.S. Rhona at Penang from Madras.....		1 case		Nov. 2, 1933								2 cases		Feb. 19, 1934
S.S. Enterprise at Karachi.....		1 case		Nov. 5, 1933								1 case		Feb. 20, 1934
S.S. Jaldurga at Raagoon from Gogolpore.....		1 case		Dec. 6, 1933								1 case		Feb. 26, 1934
S.S. Pembroke at Hong Kong.....		Present		Dec. 10, 1933								1 case		Feb. 27, 1934
S.S. Cremer at Singapore from Penang and Belawan.....		1 death		Dec. 18, 1933								Present		Mar. 2, 1934
S.S. Jufuku Maru at Cebu from Dairen.....		Present		Jan. 7, 1934								Present		Mar. 12, 1934
S.S. Halching at Amoy.....		1 case		Jan. 19, 1934								1 case		Mar. 17, 1934
S.S. Elysia at Suez from Bombay.....		2 cases		Jan. 31, 1934								Present		Mar. 17, 1934
S.S. Red Sea at Colombo from Singapore.....		1 case		Feb. 9, 1934								Present		Mar. 22, 1934
S.S. Talamba at Raagoon from Calcutta.....		1 case		Feb. 14, 1934								1 case		Mar. 26, 1934
S.S. Jaldurga at Raagoon from Gogolpore.....		1 case		Feb. 14, 1934								1 case		Mar. 28, 1934
S.S. Neuralia at Shanghai.....		1 case		Feb. 17, 1934								1 case		Apr. 3, 1934
S.S. Varsova at Karachi from Bombay.....		1 case										1 case		

On vessels:

S.S. Rhona at Penang from Madras.....

S.S. Enterprise at Karachi.....

S.S. Jaldurga at Raagoon from Gogolpore.....

S.S. Pembroke at Hong Kong.....

S.S. Cremer at Singapore from Penang and Belawan.....

S.S. Jufuku Maru at Cebu from Dairen.....

S.S. Halching at Amoy.....

S.S. Elysia at Suez from Bombay.....

S.S. Red Sea at Colombo from Singapore.....

S.S. Talamba at Raagoon from Calcutta.....

S.S. Jaldurga at Raagoon from Gogolpore.....

S.S. Neuralia at Shanghai.....

S.S. Varsova at Karachi from Bombay.....

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Indo-China (see also table above).....

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## TYPHUS FEVER

Place	Oct. 1-28, 1933	Oct. 29- Nov. 5, 1933	Nov. 26-Dec. 30, 1933	Week ended—															
				January 1934				February 1934				March 1934				April 1934			
				6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21
Algeria:																			
Algiers Department.....	C	1	9																
Constantine Department.....	C	5	7																
Bone.....	C		8																
Philippeville.....	C		1																
Oran Department.....	C	1																	
Australia: Sydney (See table below.)																			
Basutoland. (See table below.)																			
Bolivia. (See table below.)																			
British East Africa:																			
Tanganyika.....	C																		
Uganda.....	C																		
Chile.....	C	2	5																
Antofagasta.....	C	3	8																
San Pedro, J.....	C	2,620	2,714																
Santiago.....	C																		
Valparaiso.....	C	1,189	1,211																
China:		43	58																
Hankow.....	C		1																
Harbin.....	C																		
Kwantung Leased Territory.....	C		4																
Nanking.....	C																		
Shanghai.....	C	1	3																
South Manchuria Railway Zone.....	C																		
Chosen. (See table below.)																			
Czechoslovakia. (See table below.)																			
Egypt:																			
Alexandria.....	C		2																
Asyut.....	C		1																
Beheira.....	C	24	113																
Cairo.....	C		43																
Dakaliya.....	C																		
Damietta.....	C		7																
Gharbiya.....	C	10	20																
Girga.....	C		105																
Minufiya.....	C	12	5																

<sup>1</sup> For 2 weeks.

<sup>2</sup> Incomplete reports from San Pedro, Chile, for the month of November 1933 show 113 cases of typhus fever.



Rumania. (See table below.)									
Scotland.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spain, Madrid.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Syria.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tunisia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tunis.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Turkey.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Union of South Africa.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Yugoslavia. (See table below.)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Basutoland.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bolivia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chosen.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Czechoslovakia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greece.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Guatemala.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mexico (see also table above).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morocco (see also table above).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Peru.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

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## CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER—Continued

## YELLOW FEVER

[C indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]

Place	Oct. 1– Nov. 25, 1933	Oct. 29– Nov. 25, 1933	Week ended—												Mar. 3, 1934	
			December 1933						January 1934							
			2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	
Brazil:																
Acro Territory—Rio Branco	00							1								
Amazonas State—Esperanca	00							1								
Ceara State—St. Mathew	00															
Mato Grosso State. <sup>1</sup>																
French West Africa:																
Guinea	00					2				2						
Niger Territory	00															
Gold Coast:		2														
Dunkwa	00															
Keta	00									1						
N'Kaw Kaw	00															
Togoland	00		1													
Ivory Coast: Abengourou	00		1				1									
Nigeria: Kano	00		1													
Senegal:																
Bakel	00		1													
Birkelane	00															
Dakar	00															
Kaffrine	00		1													
Kaolak	00		1						1							
Kodjak	00															
Podor	00												1			
Sabikotane	00															

<sup>1</sup> For the week ended Apr. 28, 1934, 1 case of yellow fever with 1 death was reported in Mato Grosso State, Brazil, in a place distant from the coast and not connected by rail.

\* Suspected.

\* Imported.

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